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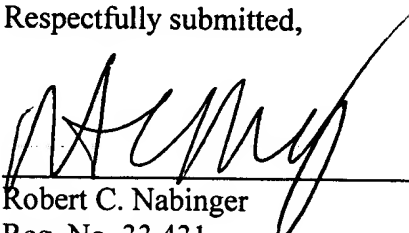
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- ☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR §1.63.

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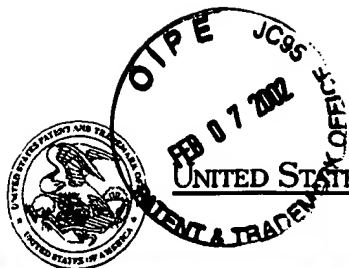
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